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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: KAYYEM <i>et al.</i> Serial No.: 09/904,175 Filing Date: 11 JULY 2001 For: DEVICES AND METHODS FOR BIOCHIP MULTIPLEXING	Examiner: FORMAN, BETTY J Group Art Unit: 1634 <u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</u> I hereby certify that this correspondence, including listed enclosures, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on: Date: July 17, 2006 Signature: <u>Jeffery Bernhardt</u> Jeffery Bernhardt
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Office communication mailed March 15, 2006. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.7(a), this response was due on July 15, 2006, a Sunday, and therefore is being filed with a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) on July 17, 2006, the next U.S.P.T.O. business day, thus making it a timely response. While Applicant believes that no further fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due as a result of filing this amendment, including additional claims fees not already paid for, or other fees that have not been separately paid, to Deposit Account 50-2319 (Order No. 463037-00219; Docket No.: A-68718-3).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7.